

Anti-Slavery Office,

New York, 26 April, 1864.

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Dear Garrison,

I hoped to hear from <sup>you</sup> this  
morning in the matter of speakers for  
our meetings here, in reply to what  
I wrote you the other day. Shall  
I try to secure Day or not? Of  
course you know that he is  
a Goodell man on the Consti-  
tutional question.

I have a letter from Thomp-  
son in which he says the an-  
nouncement in the Principia  
that he would address the



Church Anti-Slavery Society in  
this city on Wednesday evening,  
the 11th of May, is without  
authority from him. He says  
that H. J. Cheever asked him to  
speak before that Society in Boston,  
but not a word about his  
doing so here.

I am looking forward, as  
our friend Thompson writes me  
he is, to our Longwood meeting  
with deep interest and high  
anticipation. By the way, let me  
tell you that I have made arrange-  
ments for you and Thompson to  
be entertained at Dinah and Isaac  
Mendenhall's, with Tilton and myself.



It is important that we should  
be together, where we can readily  
~~the~~ consult in regard to the  
business before the meeting. Of  
course I don't expect to monopo-  
lize you or Thompson. There  
will be abundant opportunities  
for visiting the boxes, Darlings-  
ton, etc. I only want you to  
make your headquarters where  
we can take "Sweet counsel."  
So, if you get other invitations,  
please say that you are pro-  
vided for.

Yours, truly,

Oliver Johnson



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P.S. I have asked Mr. Frothingham to offer prayer in our meeting on Tuesday morning, and he has agreed to do so.

My loves to your wife & children.